



(F2)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Brian D. Noble, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2141

Serial No.: 10/697,842

Examiner:

Filed: 10/30/2003

For: PEER-TO-PEER METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PERFORMING AND
MANAGING BACKUPS IN A NETWORK OF NODES

Attorney Docket No.: UOM 0280 PUSP

FOURTH STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

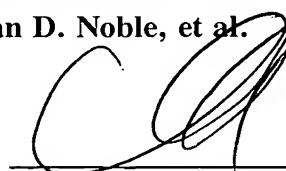
Sir:

Please inform us of the status of the above-identified patent application and as to when we may expect an Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian D. Noble, et al.

By:



David R. Syrowik
Reg. No. 27,956
Attorney/Agent for Applicant

Date: December 22, 2005

BROOKS KUSHMAN P.C.
1000 Town Center, 22nd Floor
Southfield, MI 48075-1238
Phone: (248) 358-4400
Fax: (248) 358-3351

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this paper, including all enclosures referred to herein, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage pre-paid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

December 22, 2005
Date of DepositDavid R. Syrowik
Name of Person SigningSignature 